Network Analysis Tools

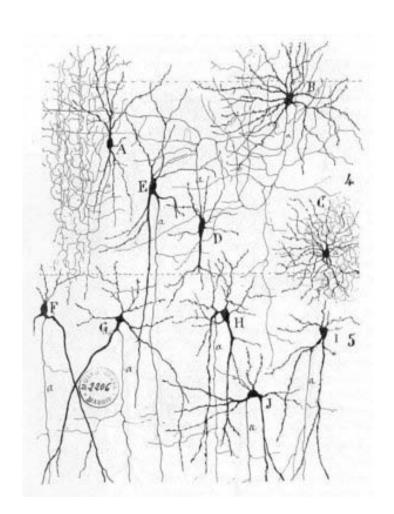
GIS III: GIS Analysis





Learning Objectives

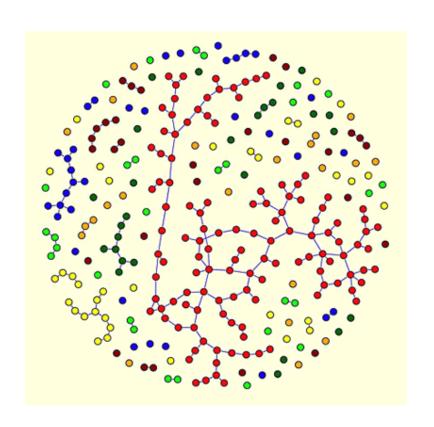
- Introduce basic components of a network
- Understand general network analysis concepts
- Offer a few examples of current application
- Introduce network analysis in ArcGIS





What is a Network?

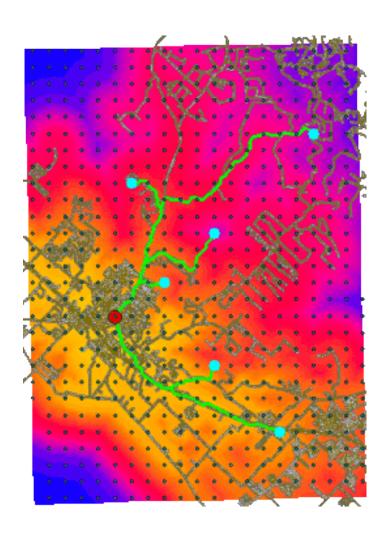
- Interconnected set of points (nodes) and lines (edges)
- Examples
 - Information networks
 - Social networks
 - Stream networks
 - Transportation networks
- Connectivity allows for analysis/problem solving





Networks and GIS

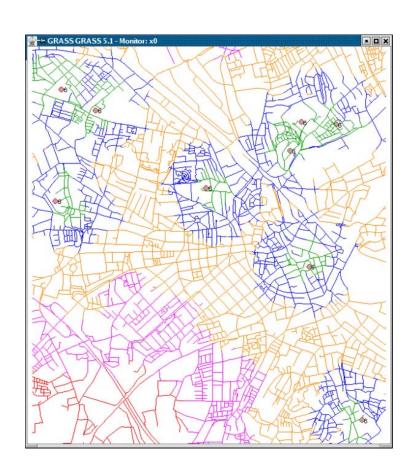
- A set of interconnected line entities whose attributes share some common theme primarily related to flow
- Network lines define relationships between nodes
- Flow types:
 - Data
 - Objects
 - Materials





Networks and GIS

- Rules dictate how objects can move through the network
- Types
 - Direction one way streets
 - Barriers
 - Time of day
 - Node restrictions stroke centers
 - Sequence stop 1 then stop 2





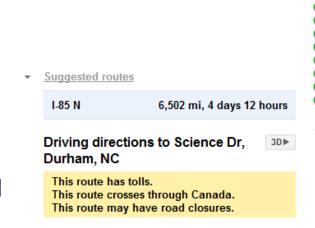
Networks and GIS

Cost:

What is the impact of an object flowing through the network?

- Types
 - Time
 - Distance

Based on connectivity, flow, and rules



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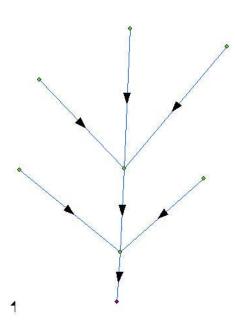
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Network Basics

- Set of nodes connected by lines
- Represent some type of flow
- Incorporate flow rules
- Rules determine cost





- Network analysis is a set of analysis techniques used with networks
- Network Analyst is the ESRI extension that performs network analysis in ArcMap
- Network Analyst uses network datasets
- Types of analysis:
 - Route
 - Service areas
 - Closest facility
 - -Origin-destination cost matrix
 - -Vehicle routing
 - -Location allocation





- Route:
 - Can be simple finding driving directions between two points
 - More complex best route between 10 different stops
- "Best" can mean different things:
 - Shortest distance
 - Quickest
 - Most scenic
 - No highways





Service areas:

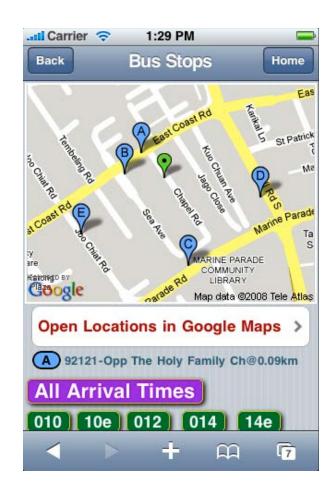
- Calculate an area based on time or distance from an input
- Good for estimating populations
- Different than a simple buffer





Closest facility:

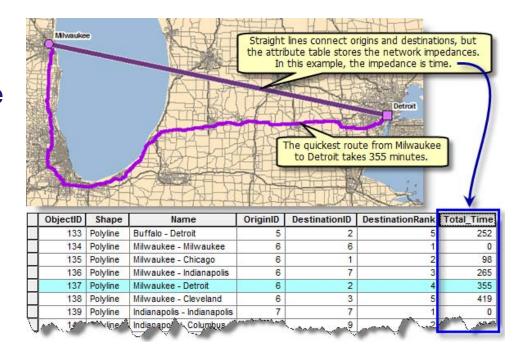
- Calculate the nearest X number of facilities to an incident or point of interest
- Closest can be based on network distance or time
- Set up a cutoff
 - Find all the hospitals within 5 minutes of an accident
 - Find all the clinics within 2 miles of a home address





Origin-destination cost matrix:

- Creates a cost matrix from multiple origins to multiple destinations
- Good for calculating distance or time between multiple start and end points





Useful Examples

Geographic and Sociodemographic Disparities in Drive Times to Joint Commission— Certified Primary Stroke Centers in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia Prev Chronic Dis 2011;8(4):A79

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Getting Started with NA

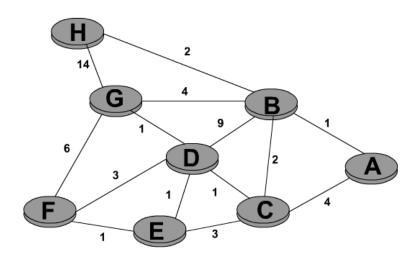
- Network locations
- Network Analyst workflow
- Useful analyses
 - Routes
 - Service areas
 - Closest facility
 - Origin destination cost matrices





Review and New Terms

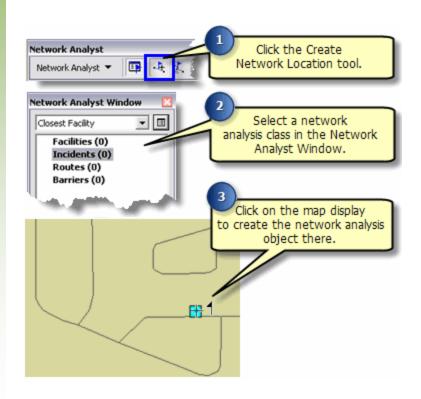
- A network is made up of edges and nodes
 - Edges are the "lines" of the network
 - Nodes are physical locations
- Edges for all cases discussed in this module will be roads
- Types of locations (nodes)
 - Stops
 - Barriers
 - Facilities
 - Incidents
 - Origins
 - Destinations

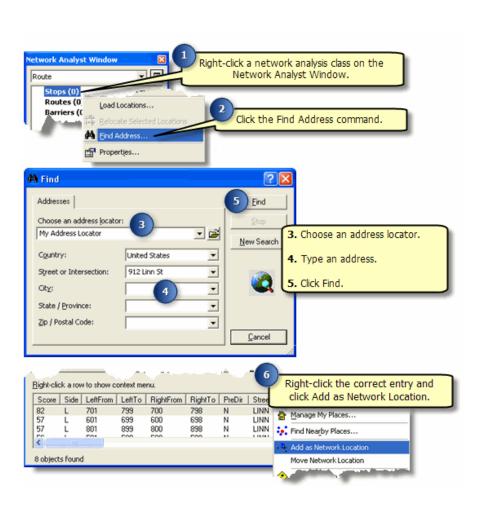




Network locations

- Adding your own network locations to a network
 - Create Network Location tool
 - Load Locations tool
 - Find tool

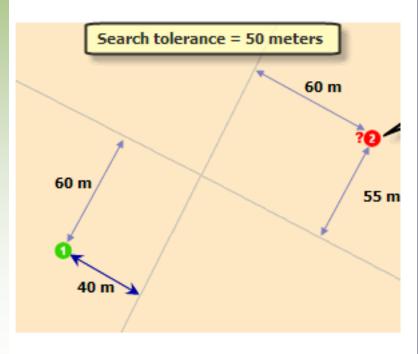


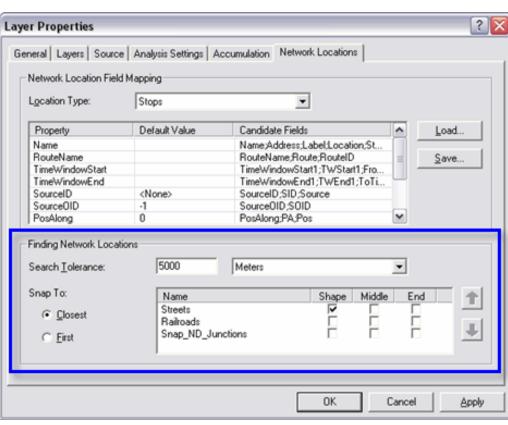




Network locations

- Finding network locations
 - Search tolerance
 - Snapping environment







Network Analyst workflow

- 1. Create network analysis layer
- 2. Add network locations
- 3. Set analysis properties
- 4. Perform analysis and display results